



2011 Napa Valley Merlot



The Silenus 2011 Napa Valley Merlot is a blend of three Merlot vineyards as well as a dose of Cabernet Sauvignon from the Arger Vineyard on Atlas Peak, and touch of Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, and Petite Sirah. The result is a complex and flavorful Merlot. The wine is aged in 40% new French oak and 60% neutral oak barrels.

Tasting Notes:

The wine has deep ruby and garnet hue and a seductive nose of dried fruit, berries, violets and toasted oak. The palate is rich and soft with deep plum, black cherry and boysenberry fruit with a hint of black olive. On the finish the fruit flavors evolve into chocolate and roasted nuts.

Blend:

86% Merlot

- ❖ 38% Ranch 9, Coombsville
- ❖ 34% Ranch 6, Coombsville
- ❖ 14% Ozegna Vineyards, Oak Knoll District

10% Cabernet Sauvignon: Arger Vineyard, Atlas Peak

2% Petit Verdot: Silenus Estate, Oak Knoll District

1% Cabernet Franc: Silenus Estate, Oak Knoll District

1% Petite Sirah: California

Specs:

Harvest date: October 11 - October 24, 2011

Bottling date: August 7, 2013

Cases produced: 830

Bottle size: 750 mL

Titrateable Acidity: 5.78 g/L

pH: 3.72

Residual sugar: 0.3 g/L

Alcohol: 14.5%

Winemaker: Bradley Smith

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